

requested the President to issue a proclamation in observance of this occasion.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE BUSH, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim the week beginning June 10, 1990, as National Scleroderma Awareness Week. I urge all government agencies and the people of the United States, as well as educational, philanthropic, scientific, and health care organizations and professionals, to observe this week with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this fifteenth day of June, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and fourteenth.

GEORGE BUSH

Proclamation 6149 of June 21, 1990

National Sheriffs' Week, 1990

*By the President of the United States of America
A Proclamation*

This year, the National Sheriffs' Association marks half a century of service to law enforcement officials and to the American public. Incorporated on September 26, 1940, in the State of Ohio, the Association was established to form and perpetuate an efficient organization of the sheriffs of the United States and to raise the level of professionalism in the office of the sheriff, among sheriffs' deputies, and among other law enforcement personnel.

The National Sheriffs' Association educates the public on law enforcement issues and maintains training programs for its members. It also represents the interests of sheriffs and other law enforcement officials before the executive and legislative branches of the Federal Government, as well as at the State and local levels of government.

Today the organization represents more than 26,000 city and county law enforcement officials nationwide, including more than 1,700 sheriffs. It is a leader in the Nation's law enforcement community.

In recognition of the 50th anniversary of the National Sheriffs' Association and in honor of all those individuals who serve their fellow Americans as sheriffs, the Congress, by S.J. Res. 264, has designated the week of June 24 through June 30, 1990, as "National Sheriffs' Week" and has authorized and requested the President to issue a proclamation in observance of this event.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE BUSH, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim the week of June 24 through June 30, 1990, as National Sheriffs' Week. I call upon the people of the United States to honor all sheriffs during the week for their courageous and dedicated efforts to preserve the rule of law and ensure domestic tranquility.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this twenty-first day of June, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and fourteenth.

GEORGE BUSH

Proclamation 6150 of June 22, 1990

Korean War Remembrance Day, 1990

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

Forty years ago, American men and women were asked to make a stand for freedom in behalf of those who lived in a country about which many of our young citizens probably knew very little. They did know that liberty was in jeopardy, and so these brave young men and women joined United Nations forces from around the world to stop communist aggression in the Republic of Korea.

The immensity of what they undertook may have been best expressed by President Truman when he stated, "In the simplest terms, what we are doing in Korea is this: We are trying to prevent a third World War." Over 5,700,000 Americans were involved directly or indirectly in the conflict. The lives of 54,246 of our soldiers were lost, we saw 103,000 wounded, and 8,000 are still listed as missing in action—all to prevent the world from plunging into the abyss of another World War. After 38 months of bitter combat, the victory was won, and the communists were driven out of the Republic of Korea. It was not only a victory for the South Koreans, but for all those who cherish liberty and self-determination.

After World War II, the world was weary of war, and with an economic recovery in full bloom, many Americans gradually put the memory of the struggle for freedom in Korea behind them. The immense achievement in the cause of freedom was all but forgotten.

Looking back at the Korean conflict, we recognize that our defense of freedom in this early struggle of the Cold War helped lay the foundation for the march of democracy we see today around the world. This new dawning of freedom is the marvelous legacy of all those who fought and died in the Korean War. Soon a magnificent monument—38 figures that will march silently toward a United States flag—will be raised on the grounds of the Mall in Washington in tribute to all who served in the Korean War.

On this 40th anniversary of the Korean War, we resolve as a Nation to sanctify and preserve the memory of all those who, through their courage, dedication, and sacrifice, helped secure the blessings of freedom for the people of the Republic of Korea and kept freedom's light burning brightly.

In respect and recognition of those Americans who served in the armed forces during the Korean War, the Congress, by House Joint Resolution 575, has requested the President to issue a proclamation calling upon